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LAST VOWS

Th following will pronounce their Last Vows on Feb. 2, 1944: Frs. Jos. Carroll, Clement Conway, Domachowski, Kilp, Wm. O'Farrell, Vincent O'Sullivan, Clyde Werts, and Br. Joseph Connolly.

ALMA

Nov. 3-Dec. 4. Provincial Visitation.
June 14, 15, 17, 1944. Ordination dates for third year men.

Mr. Robert Rosenfelder, a 1st year theologian, transferred from West Baden College to Alma.

Fr. Eugene Healy was injured when the house truck went over the embankment on the old Villa Joseph Road. A tree broke what would have been a 500-foot fall.

Dec. 14. Fr. Charles Meeus, Belgian Missionary to Chungking, who four years ago became a naturalized Chinese citizen, gave a marvelous talk. He recently arrived from China on a ship that carried 1000 returning soldiers. One of them took him for Moses.

The choir sang at Moffett Field on Christmas, and were Santa Clara's guests afterwards.

The 33 4th year Fathers went out for Xmas, from Taft to Eureka.

To facilitate visits to the Bl. Sacrament, three rooms next to the main bulletin board are being changed into a theologians' chapel. It will contain two altars.

Dec. 9. A violent wind storm broke power and telephone connections. Power was off 6 hours; telephone connections, for 36 hours. Mass and breakfast were had by candle-light.

"The Western Jesuit," working in conjunction with ISO, will become more social in character.

EL RETIRO

The report for some of the 1943 work is as follows:

Retreats at El Retiro.....	53
Civilians	2100
Service Men	245
Chaplains	16

Diocesan Clergy	180
H.S. & Univ. Grads.	350
Pub. Sch. Pupils	65

Al in all, it has been the best year ever at the Retreat House.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Loyola's Campaign for Funds. In support of the campaign Archbishop Cantwell sent a very appealing letter to be read in all the churches of the diocese. The Board of Regents, actively supporting the drive, is holding frequent meetings. Fr. McCarthy, editor of the TIDINGS, generously donated three full pages in three consecutive issues, for advertising on the drive.

The Loyola ASTP unit was cheered by the concession of Dec. 24-26 as holidays.

In Sidney, Australia, five Loyola officers held a Loyola reunion, and counted 19 citations in the group.

Two Loyola grads, Captains Francis and George Schneiders, have received their fifth Oak Leaf Clusters for their Distinguished Flying Crosses.

John Farrow, recipient of an honorary LL.D. from the University last October, has been signally honored as the author of the "most outstanding Catholic book of 1943—PAGEANT OF THE POPES." Archbishop Cantwell bestowed the award in the University Library.

To help meet the pressing need for teachers, Mr. Cayo has been loaned to Loyola High School.

The members of the faculty were guests at the Fox Studios at a private clergy preview of "The Song of Bernadette."

Fr. Rector gave the renovation tri-duum.

Capt. Martin H. Work has returned from overseas where he directed the installation of American Expeditionary Radio Stations in North Africa and the Middle East. His present work is to supervise overseas relations for the Branch Headquarters of the Armed Forces Radio Service.

LOS GATOS

Extensive improvements have been made especially around the Lourdes Shrine.

During the summer, the novices made the first installment of adobe bricks to be used in remaking the Della Strada Shrine. Mt. St. Joseph's supplies the adobe clay.

The old office in the Novitiate Wing has moved its files and records to the Cottage Office at the winery. The room in the Novitiate has been repainted and remodeled for the Fathers' Recreation Room.

Dec. 10. Fr. Gleeson, now writing his memoirs and preparing for his Golden Jubilee as a priest, visited the Novitiate with Fr. Provincial.

The only damage done by the 63-mile gale was to rain down the olives from the trees. It made the picking easier for the novices.

To date there are two candidates expected to enter the Novitiate on Jan 5: Charles Cloud from Los Angeles, a nephew of Fr. Charles Cloud, S.J., former Chicago Provincial; and Patrick Deignan, from San Francisco, a nephew of Fr. Patrick Deignan, S.J., deceased, of the California Province.

SAN FRANCISCO

Both high school and college figured much in recent publicity. The boy selected to represent San Francisco in the famous "Quiz Kid" program, is in second year high at St. Ignatius. In the nationally conducted Hearst Literary Contest, first place went to a third year high student. Of the 35 who qualified, 17 were from Catholic schools. Of these, 5 are from St. Ignatius.

Melvyn Cronin, a graduate from the College of Arts and from the College of Law, was elected presiding Judge of the Municipal Courts. Two other law graduates, John T. Rudden being one, were appointed deputy district attorneys.

Fr. Duce gave the renovation triduum.

Visitors: Fr. Charles Meeus from Chungking to solicit funds for the diocese of Bishop Tsu, S.J. Several Chaplains: Chap. John R. Bradstreet; Chap. Thos. Ewing, Chicago Province; Chap. James Barnett, New York Province; Chap. Charles Robinson, Missouri Province; Chap. William Babb, New Orleans Province.

Fr. John Lennon arrived in mid-December from the China Mission. The party left China in September on a Japanese vessel. At Goa they trans-

ferred to the Swedish vessel, "The Gripsholm." At night they traveled with all lights burning, and gave regular wireless reports to Japan as to their location. Allowed to bring only one Bible, the Fathers could retain only one volume of the breviary, and that without any loose inserts. Fr. Lennon said he needed a new breviary anyway. He gave an interesting recreation to the community. He also addressed the Jesuit Mothers at the annual Christmas party.

The total for the Mission Drive during the first semester: \$523.80.

The two sodalities of the high school have been participating actively in the new Federation of Catholic High Schools, a Religious Organization in the Archdiocese. Joseph Donohue, brother of Mr. John Donohue, S.J., spoke at the last meeting, on fostering a better Catholic attitude in social life.

George Rich, former St. Ignatius and U.S.F. track star, has been reported as missing in action over Europe with the R.C.A.F. This is the third listed as missing in that area.

Col. Joseph Sullivan, brother of Dr. James Sullivan, was met in Italy by Chap. Ray Copeland, S.J.

Fr. Duffy was sent to St. Mary's by an attack of flu which turned into pneumonia. Several others in the community had to take to sick beds.

Fr. James King went to Los Angeles for an educational meeting of Catholic High Schools.

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH ENROLLMENT

Year	Enrollment	Graduates
1909-10	198	18
1910-11	189	12
1911-12	241	22
1912-13	206	27
1913-14	255	36
1914-15	230	24
1915-16	196	30
1916-17	160	29
1917-18	225	20
1918-19	205	16
1919-20	222	35
1920-21	310	38
1921-22	357	37
1922-23	519	49
1923-24	621	68
1924-25	610	74
1925-26	654	92
1926-27	733	125
1927-28	746	131
1928-29	750	104
1929-30	780	136
1930-31	812	132
1931-32	852	142
1932-33	787	144
1933-34	693	162
1934-35	680	140

ST. JOSEPH'S

The 63-mile gale of December wrenched loose a large portion of the metal roof on the church. The fire department removed the section, to keep the metal from blowing down on passersby three stories below, and cutting and crushing them. A large section of the upper window of the furniture store blew out and traveled some fifteen feet, crashing through two plate glass windows of the delicatessen store. Other minor damage was done; this was the worst at St. Joseph's. It was not possible to get metal for the roof. The repair job was made with roofing paper. The workmen were called in from Moffett Field to work on the church. They had just about finished, when Moffett Field demanded their return to their regular work. Fr. Laherty did some quick contact work to get the repairs made.

Fr. Laherty has been made a trustee of Agnew's. The appointment was a personal one made by Governor Warren, who got due approval from the Archbishop. It was the first time in a couple of decades that a priest has been given a State appointment.

The Parish Service Honor Roll is to be printed in the artistic border drawn by Fr. Sciocchetti. It appeared in a recent issue of THE MONITOR.

SANTA BARBARA

"Released Time" arrangements make slow progress. The denominations are finding it hard to arrange curricula and personnel. Then, the local board of education must be approached by an "Inter-faith" Committee. By appointment of the Archbishop, Fr. Leahy, with the pastor of Guadalupe Church, is a board member. It seems a start will be made with children of the third-fourth-grade level.

Preparatory to Dec. 8, Fr. Brolan gave a three day mission to the 2nd Philippine Regiment, Camp Cooke, at the invitation of Chaplain Toralba, S.J. It was the proper sort of attack on the Philippines. To keep class engagements, Fr. Brolan journeyed back and forth by "Jeep," and spent the night in the officers' barracks. On the feast there was a Solemn High Military Mass at 3 p.m. Fr. Sheerin, by a chartered Greyhound, brought our altar boys and the Franciscan Seminary Choir. Fr. Leahy also attended. The Mass was celebrated in the capacity-crowded camp theatre. The appreciation of the men was quite marked; they heaped chocolate bars and such things on the altar boys. After

Mass, the Fathers, Seminarians, and altar boys dined well at the expense of the "Chaplains' Fund," at the regiment's "PX."

Fr. Acquistapace celebrated a very beautiful sodality reception before the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Each month there is the school's First Friday Communion; and on each third Friday, a Sodality Communion. Since the Sodality is practically school-wide, nearly all the high school students receive at least twice a month.

Fr. Simeone, S.C., assisted by Fr. Villa, gave a very successful Italian Mission in our church.

SANTA CLARA

Dec. 13. The ASTP Engineers began their third cycle of twelve weeks. The total enrollment is 359. Classes are now being given in all six terms of the course; this is the first time that the full course has been in operation at Santa Clara. To accommodate all these classes, three new professors have been added to the engineering faculty.

Jan. 4. The spring semester of the Civilian School begins. Most of the students of last semester are expected to return; and a few new entries should keep the student body at about 100.

Fr. Walter Schmidt has been appointed by Bishop O'Hara, Auxiliary Army Chaplain for the ASTU. On Tuesdays and Fridays, a Mass will be said at 5:30 p.m. for the benefit of the soldiers at the University.

The College English Association of Northern California elected Fr. Edward Shipsey to the position of Secretary-Treasurer, at its fall meeting. This means that he will automatically become Vice-President and President in the two succeeding years.

The 63-mile-per-hour wind storm did little damage on the campus. A few tiles were blown off the roof of Nobili Hall and fell through the sky-light in the dining-room. The creeping vine on the bell tower of the Mission Church was also torn away.

Fr. Richard Gleeson gave the renovation triduum preceding the feast of St. Francis Xavier.

VARIA

Dec. 13-20. Provincial Visitation at Bellarmine.

Jan. 12. Fr. Provincial leaves for Spokane and Port Townsend.

Fr. Ransford has had the lense of his right eye operated on and removed.

A letter from Fr. Dan Clifford in China, written last August, arrived in San Jose Dec. 13. It came via Chungking and Calcutta.

Fr. John Kidykas, S.J., from Willings Alley, Phila., is to give a Lithuanian Mission in January in Los Angeles, at St. Casimir's.

Fr. Edward Dowling, S.J., came from St. Louis to advise the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Co. on the production of St. Dismas, the Good Thief. Father gave the theologians an ISO talk before going to Los Angeles; on his return he held a general recreation at Los Gatos much to the enjoyment of the novices.

Fr. Dan McGloin went during the Xmas Holiday from Toronto to Chicago, to attend the annual meeting of the American Catholic Philosophical Association. Meanwhile he is writing a paper on Boethius, and philosophizing on life's strange pranks: the ins and outs of a professor's chair, and the ups and downs at a student's desk.

Br. James Finengan had the happiness of visiting his parents in the Mid-West, on the journey from New York to the coast.

Fr. Moore went north to see his sister, and to bring news to relatives about their dear ones in China. He is reported to have lost some 15 pounds.

Fr. Lennon sent us the enclosed letter; except for greeting and conclusion, it is quoted in its entirety. It says everything, and is expressive of complete happiness at being once again in a free land. "The Gripsholm" brought us safely to New York; and now I am looking forward to bringing grips home safely too!"

Dec. 22. Specially invited, Fr. Provincial attended the Jubilee Mass at Sacred Heart Church, San Francisco, celebrating Msgr. Cullen's fifty years as a priest. A noteworthy detail is that previous to this date, the Msgr. provided a banquet for the Community at St. Ignatius, and lent happiness to the occasion by his own presence in our dining room.

CHAPLAINS

In December Fr. Carr reported his recovery from an attack of the flu. He was awaiting orders to set out for overseas. Even flight by air was possible.

Fr. Copeland reports riding with Ken Leake, of Santa Clara. He met Lt. Col. Moffatt, of Santa Clara. Also Don Engstrom, Bob Beaumont, Dick Schinazi, from the University of Santa Clara;

and a Dowd from the town of Santa Clara. Father visited our house in Naples and met Fr. Lupi who was at Woodstock, when Fr. Moore and Fr. Assistant were there.

Fr. Crowley has a new address: Army Hqs., APO 965, San Francisco. He had been with his outfit for 21 months, and sought to go away quietly. He said Mass at 6:15 in a tent just large enough for the altar. The congregation had to stay outside. It was a wet sloppy morning with the whole camp bogged with mud. When Father came for Mass, over 100 men were huddled together in the rain and darkness to attend his last Mass. A representative after Mass gave him bundles, presents from the men. The card said: "We thank you, Father, for your help and guidance. Please remember us always. The Boys from the 108th."

Fr. Crowley saw Fr. Meaney who had been wounded by a sniper. The wound just missed being fatal by a few inches. A quick recovery was expected.

Fr. Giambastiani is turning his Spanish to good use by working among the native troops at Porto Rico. He was visited by Msgr. Harold Collins, when the latter came from the States with Bishop Davis who was installed in his island diocese.

Fr. Deasy had a busy two weeks at Cherry Point, N. C., instructing the boys, and devoting four hours a day to visiting the men in the hospital. Attendance at daily Mass is very good; but the crowds on Sunday just take one's breath away.

Fr. Hanley is as busy as ever; he even employs a secretary, one of the corporals, to do his writing.

Fr. McGrorey arranged a Christmas tree and a Santa Claus for the 45 war orphans and other girls who are with the Good Shepherds. His soldiers put by candy and other little presents for the cause, when they heard Father's appeal. Last Xmas the children were forgotten. That was made up for this year. Also the Sisters were forgotten in the way of food and clothing. Girls were sent them; no one thought to send supplies. Our chaplain with his happy thoughtful influence has remedied the oversight.

DEATHS

Mother of Fr. John O'Connell.

Mother of Fr. Wilson Aldridge.